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SUBJECT: SS SSO TF3-3: CHINA TASK FORCE SITUATION
REPORT NO. 4 - SITUATION AS OF 2030 EDT, 6/4/89

1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SITUATION IN BEIJING. TIANANMEN SQUARE APPEARS RELATIVELY CALM IN EARLY MORNING, WITH PLA TROOPS OBSERVED DOING EXERCISES. TROOPS IN SQUARE APPEAR TO BE IN CONTROL. ISOLATED SKIRMISHES IN OUTLYING AREAS APPEAR TO CONTINUE. EMBASSY BEIJING REPORTS THAT AIRPORT REMAINS OPEN. CASUALTY ESTIMATES CONTINUE TO BE REPORTED IN WIDE RANGE-- FROM 500 TO OVER 2500 DEATHS
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AND MANY MORE WOUNDED. CNN REPORTED THIS EVENING FIGURES RANGING FROM 1400 TO 3000 DEAD. ABC NEWS HAS CITED CHINESE RED CROSS SOURCES REPORTING 2600 DEAD. (EMBASSY BEIJING/TASK FORCE TELCON, TV REPORTS)

3. U.S. STUDENTS/TRAVEL ADVISORY. EMBASSY IS REVIEWING CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR ENSURING SAFETY OF SEVERAL HUNDRED U.S. STUDENTS AT BEIJING UNIVERSITIES. THEY ARE BEING ADVISED TO STAY IN THEIR CURRENT LOCATIONS AS LONG

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